

Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Treatment of Special Enforcement Matters" (RIN1545-BP01) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 10, 2023; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-52. A communication from the Branch Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "TD: Information Reporting of Health Insurance Coverage and Other Issues under Sections 5000A, 6055, and 6056" (RIN1545-BQ11) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 10, 2023; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-53. A communication from the Branch Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Prevailing Wage and Apprenticeship Initial Guidance Under Section 45 (b) (6) (B) (ii) and Other Substantially Similar Provisions" (Notice 2022-61) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 10, 2023; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-54. A communication from the Regulations Coordinator, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Medicare Program; Calendar Year (CY) 2023 Home Health Prospective Payment System Rate Update; Home Health Quality Reporting Program Requirements; Home Health Value-Based Purchasing Expanded Model Requirements; and Home Infusion Therapy Services Requirements" (RIN0938-AU85) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 21, 2022; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-55. A communication from the Regulations Coordinator, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Medicare and Medicaid Programs; CY 2023 Payment Policies under the Physician Fee Schedule and Other Changes to Part B Payment and Coverage Policies; Medicare Shared Savings Program Requirements; Implementing Requirements for Manufacturers of Certain Single-dose Container or Single-use Package Drugs to Provide Refunds with Respect to Discarded Amounts; and COVID-19 Interim Final Rule" ((RIN0938-AU81) (RIN0938-AU95) (RIN0938-AU31) (RIN0938-AU32)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 21, 2022; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-56. A communication from the Secretary of Labor, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "List of Goods Produced by Child Labor or Forced Labor"; to the Committees on Foreign Relations; and the Judiciary.

EC-57. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act, the certification of a proposed license amendment for the export of defense articles, including technical data, and defense services to the Republic of Korea in the amount of \$50,000,000 or more (Transmittal No. DDTC 22-049); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-58. A communication from the Assistant Legal Adviser for Treaty Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to the Case-Zablocki Act, 1 U.S.C. 112b, as amended, the report of the texts and background state-

ments of international agreements, other than treaties (List 2022-0173-2022-0177); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-59. A communication from the Chief of the Regulatory Coordination Division, Citizenship and Immigration Services, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Exercise of Time-Limited Authority to Increase the Numerical Limitation for FY 2023 for the H-2B Temporary Nonagricultural Worker Program and Portability Flexibility for H-2B Workers Seeking To Change Employers" ((RIN1615-AC66) (RIN1205-AC14)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 21, 2022; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-60. A communication from the Chief of the Regulatory Coordination Division, Citizenship and Immigration Services, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Security Bars and Processing; Delay of Effective Date" ((RIN1615-AC57) (RIN1205-AB08)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 10, 2023; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-61. A communication from the Director, Administrative Office of the United States Courts, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on applications for delayed-notice search warrants and extensions during fiscal year 2022; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-62. A communication from the Director, Administrative Office of the United States Courts, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to a compilation and summary of reports received from chief district judges detailing each public event conducted in accordance with the Pro bono Work to Empower and Represent Act of 2018's requirements during the previous fiscal year; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-63. A communication from the Secretary, Judicial Conference of the United States, transmitting, a report relative to bankruptcy judgeship recommendations; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-64. A communication from the Section Chief of the Diversion Control Division, Drug Enforcement Administration, Department of Justice, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Schedules of Controlled Substances: Placement of Zipeprol in Schedule I" ((21 CFR Part 1308) (Docket No. DEA-477)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 21, 2022; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-65. A communication from the Section Chief of the Diversion Control Division, Drug Enforcement Administration, Department of Justice, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Schedules of Controlled Substances: Placement of Mesocarb in Schedule I" ((21 CFR Part 1308) (Docket No. DEA-397)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 21, 2022; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-66. A communication from the Section Chief of the Diversion Control Division, Drug Enforcement Administration, Department of Justice, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Schedules of Controlled Substances: Removal of [18F] FP-CIT From Control" ((21 CFR Part 1308) (Docket No. DEA-837)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 21, 2022; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-67. A communication from the Assistant General Counsel for Regulatory Affairs, Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Allocation of Assets in Single-Employer Plans; Interest Assumptions for Valuing Benefits" (29 CFR Part 4044) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on

January 10, 2023; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-68. A communication from the Director of Regulations and Policy Management Staff, Food and Drug Administration, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "International Dairy Foods Association and Chobani, Inc.; Response to the Objections and Requests for a Public Hearing on the Final Rule To Revoke the Standards for Lowfat Yogurt and Nonfat Yogurt and To Amend the Standard for Yogurt" (RIN0910-AI40) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 10, 2023; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-69. A communication from the Director of Regulations and Policy Management Staff, Food and Drug Administration, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Uniform Compliance Date for Food Labeling Regulations" (Docket No. FDA-2000-N-0011) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 10, 2023; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-70. A communication from the Supervisory Regulations Coordinator, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Basic Health Program; Federal Funding Methodology for Program Year 2023 and Changes to Basic Health Program Regulations" (RIN0938-AU89) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 21, 2022; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-71. A communication from the Assistant Secretary for Legislation, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "National Plan to Address Alzheimer's Disease: 2022 Update"; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-72. A communication from the Assistant Secretary for Legislation, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Health Profession Opportunity Grants Program Third Report to Congress"; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-73. A communication from the Assistant Secretary for Legislation, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Report on the Affordability of Insulin"; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

PETITIONS AND MEMORIALS

The following petition or memorial was laid before the Senate and was referred or ordered to lie on the table as indicated:

POM-1. A resolution adopted by the Legislature of Rockland County, New York, supporting the 9/11 Responder and Survivor Health Funding Correction Act and urging the United States Congress to fully fund and appropriate the necessary funding for the World Trade Center Health Program to pay for the current and future health care needs of 9/11 responders; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

The following bills and joint resolutions were introduced, read the first

and second times by unanimous consent, and referred as indicated:

By Mr. WICKER (for himself, Mr. LANKFORD, Mrs. HYDE-SMITH, Mr. TILLIS, Mr. RISCH, Mr. BOOZMAN, Mrs. FISCHER, Mr. CRAPO, Mr. HOEVEN, Mr. BARRASSO, Mr. ROMNEY, Mr. DAINES, Ms. LUMMIS, Mr. KENNEDY, Mr. HAGERTY, Mr. JOHNSON, Mr. TUBERVILLE, Mr. MCCONNELL, Mr. BRAUN, Mr. CORNYN, Mr. VANCE, Mr. CRUZ, Mr. ROUNDS, Mr. CRAMER, Mr. MULLIN, Mr. MORAN, Mr. SCOTT of Florida, Mr. CASSIDY, Mr. RUBIO, Mrs. BLACKBURN, Mr. SULLIVAN, Mr. THUNE, Mr. GRASSLEY, Mr. MARSHALL, Mrs. BRITT, Mr. LEE, Mr. SCHMITT, Mr. BUDD, Mr. COTTON, Mr. HAWLEY, Mr. YOUNG, Mr. SCOTT of South Carolina, Ms. ERNST, Mr. PAUL, Mr. GRAHAM, Mrs. CAPITO, and Mr. RICKETTS):

S. 62. A bill to prohibit taxpayer funded abortions; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. MANCHIN (for himself and Mr. BRAUN):

S. 63. A bill to adjust the effective date for application of certain amendments made with respect to the credit for new clean vehicles; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. BARRASSO (for himself, Mr. RISCH, and Mr. CRAPO):

S. 64. A bill to prohibit the conditioning of any permit, lease, or other use agreement on the transfer of any water right to the United States by the Secretary of the Interior and the Secretary of Agriculture, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. DURBIN (for himself, Ms. DUCKWORTH, and Mr. BOOKER):

S. 65. A bill to amend the Carl D. Perkins Career and Technical Education Act of 2006 to give the Department of Education the authority to award competitive grants to eligible entities to establish, expand, or support school-based mentoring programs to assist at-risk students in middle school and high school in developing cognitive and social-emotional skills to prepare them for success in high school, postsecondary education, and the workforce; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Ms. KLOBUCHAR (for herself, Mr. MORAN, and Mrs. CAPITO):

S. 66. A bill to establish a task force on improvements for notices to air missions, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

By Ms. CORTEZ MASTO (for herself and Mr. LUJÁN):

S. 67. A bill to require the Federal Trade Commission to conduct a study on conduct related to oil and gas prices, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

By Mr. TUBERVILLE (for himself, Mr. BRAUN, Mr. CRAMER, Mr. MARSHALL, Ms. LUMMIS, Mr. SCOTT of Florida, and Mr. HOEVEN):

S. 68. A bill to amend the Defense Production Act of 1950 to prevent harm and disruption to the United States agriculture industry by protecting against foreign influence over agriculture production and supply chains, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

By Mr. JOHNSON (for himself, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mr. SCOTT of South Carolina, and Mr. BRAUN):

S. 69. A bill to amend the SOAR Act; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

By Mr. THUNE (for himself, Ms. SMITH, Mr. ROUNDS, and Mr. TESTER):

S. 70. A bill to require the Bureau of Indian Affairs to process and complete all mortgage

packages associated with residential and business mortgages on Indian land by certain deadlines, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

By Mr. SCOTT of Florida (for himself, Ms. SINEMA, and Mr. LANKFORD):

S. 71. A bill to extend the customs waters of the United States from 12 nautical miles to 24 nautical miles from the baselines of the United States, consistent with Presidential Proclamation 7219; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. SCOTT of Florida (for himself, Ms. LUMMIS, Mr. BARRASSO, Mrs. BLACKBURN, and Mr. BRAUN):

S. 72. A bill to prevent class-based loan forgiveness for Federal student loans under title IV of the Higher Education Act of 1965 without the explicit appropriation of funds by Congress for such purpose; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. RUBIO (for himself and Mr. CASEY):

S. 73. A bill to allow community supports to meet specific needs of families and children through an electronic care portal under the MaryLee Allen Promoting Safe and Stable Families program; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. RUBIO:

S. 74. A bill to provide support and assistance to unborn children, pregnant women, parents, and families; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. RUBIO (for himself, Mr. HAWLEY, Mr. SCOTT of Florida, and Mr. LANKFORD):

S. 75. A bill to ensure equal treatment for religious organizations in the Federal provision of social services programs, grantmaking, and contracting, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. RUBIO (for himself, Mrs. HYDE-SMITH, Mr. RISCH, Mrs. BLACKBURN, Mr. SCOTT of Florida, Mr. MARSHALL, Mr. THUNE, Mr. SULLIVAN, Mr. CRUZ, Mr. BRAUN, Mrs. FISCHER, and Mr. BUDD):

S. 76. A bill to require the Secretary of Health and Human Services to furnish tailored information to expecting mothers, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mrs. SHAHEEN:

S. 77. A bill to reauthorize the State Trade Expansion Program of the Small Business Administration, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship.

By Mr. RUBIO (for himself, Mrs. HYDE-SMITH, Mr. RISCH, Mr. LANKFORD, Mr. THUNE, Mr. CRUZ, Mr. SCOTT of South Carolina, Mr. CRAMER, Mr. BRAUN, Mr. HAWLEY, Mr. KENNEDY, Mrs. FISCHER, Mr. CASSIDY, and Mr. MARSHALL):

S. 78. A bill to amend title 18, United States Code, to prohibit taking minors across State lines in circumvention of laws requiring the involvement of parents in abortion decisions; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. DURBIN (for himself, Mr. TILLIS, Mr. GRASSLEY, and Mr. COONS):

S. 79. A bill to amend title 35, United States Code, to establish an interagency task force between the United States Patent and Trademark Office and the Food and Drug Administration for purposes of sharing information and providing technical assistance with respect to patents, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mrs. BLACKBURN (for herself, Mr. MARSHALL, Mr. HAGERTY, and Mr. TUBERVILLE):

S. 80. A bill to establish an Inspector General of the National Institutes of Health; to

the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. MARSHALL (for himself, Mr. PAUL, Ms. ERNST, Mr. TUBERVILLE, Mrs. BLACKBURN, Mr. BRAUN, Mr. LANKFORD, Mr. RUBIO, Mr. COTTON, and Mr. WICKER):

S. 81. A bill to provide a moratorium on all Federal research grants provided to any institution of higher education or other research institute that is conducting gain-of-function research; read the first time.

By Mr. SCOTT of Florida (for himself, Mr. JOHNSON, Ms. LUMMIS, Mr. LEE, Mr. BRAUN, Mr. CRAMER, Mrs. BRITT, Mr. RISCH, Mr. BUDD, and Mrs. BLACKBURN):

S. 82. A bill to protect social security benefits and military pay and require that the United States Government to prioritize all obligations on the debt held by the public in the event that the debt limit is reached; read the first time.

By Ms. KLOBUCHAR (for herself and Ms. COLLINS):

S. 83. A bill to assist States in, and pay for the Federal share of the cost of, defraying the cost of pre-apprenticeships or related instruction associated with qualified apprenticeship programs, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Ms. ERNST (for herself and Mr. MARSHALL):

S. 84. A bill to prohibit Federal funding to EcoHealth Alliance, Inc., and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. HAWLEY:

S. 85. A bill to impose sanctions with respect to TikTok, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

By Mr. BRAUN (for himself and Mr. SCOTT of Florida):

S. 86. A bill to allow Members of Congress to opt out of the Federal Employees Retirement System, and allow Members who opt out of the Federal Employees Retirement System to continue to participate in the Thrift Savings Plan; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

By Mr. BRAUN (for himself and Mr. SCOTT of Florida):

S. 87. A bill to amend title 5, United States Code, to provide for the termination of certain retirement benefits for Members of Congress, except the right to continue participating in the Thrift Savings Plan, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

By Mr. BRAUN (for himself and Mr. SCOTT of Florida):

S. 88. A bill to amend title 18, United States Code, to prohibit former Members and elected officers of Congress from lobbying Congress at any time after leaving office; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. BRAUN (for himself, Mr. MANCHIN, Mr. SCOTT of Florida, Ms. HASSAN, Mrs. CAPITO, Mrs. BRITT, and Mrs. BLACKBURN):

S. 89. A bill to provide that Members of Congress may not receive pay after October 1 of any fiscal year in which Congress has not approved a concurrent resolution on the budget and passed the regular appropriations bills; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

By Mr. CRUZ (for himself and Ms. CANTWELL):

S. 90. A bill to require the disclosure of a camera or recording capability in certain internet-connected devices; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

SUBMISSION OF CONCURRENT AND SENATE RESOLUTIONS

The following concurrent resolutions and Senate resolutions were read, and referred (or acted upon), as indicated:

By Ms. KLOBUCHAR (for herself, Mr. GRASSLEY, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. TILLIS, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mrs. BLACKBURN, Ms. HIRONO, and Mr. CRAPO):

S. Res. 13. A resolution raising awareness and encouraging the prevention of stalking by designating January 2023 as “National Stalking Awareness Month”; ordered held at the desk.

By Mr. BRAUN (for himself, Mr. SCOTT of Florida, Mr. BUDD, and Mr. DAINES):

S. Res. 14. A resolution amending rule XLIV of the Standing Rules of the Senate to include amendments of the House of Representatives in the requirements for identifying spending items, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Rules and Administration.

By Mr. CRUZ:

S. Con. Res. 1. A concurrent resolution requiring the Architect of the Capitol, the Secretary of the Senate, and the Chief Administrative Officer of the House of Representatives to contract with food service contractors and vending machine contractors for the Capitol Complex that accept cryptocurrency, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Rules and Administration.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 9

At the request of Mr. CRUZ, the names of the Senator from Alaska (Mr. SULLIVAN), the Senator from Arkansas (Mr. BOOZMAN), the Senator from Kansas (Mr. MORAN), the Senator from Iowa (Ms. ERNST), the Senator from Florida (Mr. SCOTT), the Senator from South Carolina (Mr. SCOTT), the Senator from Mississippi (Mrs. HYDE-SMITH), the Senator from Arkansas (Mr. COTTON), the Senator from Mississippi (Mr. WICKER), the Senator from Missouri (Mr. HAWLEY), the Senator from Texas (Mr. CORNYN) and the Senator from Nebraska (Mrs. FISCHER) were added as cosponsors of S. 9, a bill to prohibit the Secretary of Energy from sending petroleum products from the Strategic Petroleum Reserve to China, and for other purposes.

S. 27

At the request of Mr. HOEVEN, the name of the Senator from Wyoming (Mr. BARRASSO) was added as a cosponsor of S. 27, a bill to prohibit the Department of Defense from requiring contractors to provide information relating to greenhouse gas emissions.

S. RES. 11

At the request of Mr. SCOTT of South Carolina, the name of the Senator from Mississippi (Mr. WICKER) was added as a cosponsor of S. Res. 11, a resolution designating the week of January 22 through January 28, 2023, as “National School Choice Week”.

STATEMENTS ON INTRODUCED BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

By Mr. DURBIN (for himself, Ms. DUCKWORTH, and Mr. BOOKER):

S. 65. A bill to amend the Carl D. Perkins Career and Technical Education Act of 2006 to give the Department of Education the authority to award competitive grants to eligible entities to establish, expand, or support school-based mentoring programs to assist at-risk students in middle school and high school in developing cognitive and social-emotional skills to prepare them for success in high school, postsecondary education, and the workforce; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

Mr. DURBIN. Madam President, I ask unanimous consent that the text of the bill be printed in the RECORD.

There being no objection, the text of the bill was ordered to be printed in the RECORD, as follows:

S. 65

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

This Act may be cited as the “Mentoring to Succeed Act of 2023”.

SEC. 2. PURPOSE.

The purpose of this Act is to make assistance available for school-based mentoring programs for at-risk students in order to—

- (1) establish, expand, or support school-based mentoring programs;
- (2) assist at-risk students in middle school and high school in developing cognitive and social-emotional skills; and
- (3) prepare such at-risk students for success in high school, postsecondary education, and the workforce.

SEC. 3. SCHOOL-BASED MENTORING PROGRAM.

Part C of title I of the Carl D. Perkins Career and Technical Education Act of 2006 (20 U.S.C. 2351 et seq.) is amended by adding at the end the following:

“SEC. 136. DISTRIBUTION OF FUNDS FOR SCHOOL-BASED MENTORING PROGRAMS.

- “(a) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:
 - “(1) AT-RISK STUDENT.—The term ‘at-risk student’ means a student who—
 - “(A) is failing academically or at risk of dropping out of school;
 - “(B) is pregnant or a parent;
 - “(C) is a gang member;
 - “(D) is a child or youth in foster care or a youth who has been emancipated from foster care, but is still enrolled in high school;
 - “(E) is or has recently been a homeless child or youth;
 - “(F) is chronically absent;
 - “(G) has changed schools 3 or more times in the past 6 months;
 - “(H) has come in contact with the juvenile justice system in the past;
 - “(I) has a history of multiple suspensions or disciplinary actions;
 - “(J) is an English learner;
 - “(K) has one or both parents incarcerated;
 - “(L) has experienced one or more adverse childhood experiences, traumatic events, or toxic stressors, as assessed through an evidence-based screening;
 - “(M) lives in a high-poverty area with a high rate of community violence;
 - “(N) has a disability; or
 - “(O) shows signs of alcohol or drug misuse or abuse or has a parent or guardian who is struggling with substance abuse.
 - “(2) DISABILITY.—The term ‘disability’ has the meaning given the term for purposes of section 602(3) of the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (20 U.S.C. 1401(3)).
 - “(3) ELIGIBLE ENTITY.—The term ‘eligible entity’—

“(A) means a high-need local educational agency, high-need school, or local government entity; and

“(B) may include a partnership between an entity described in subparagraph (A) and a nonprofit, community-based, or faith-based organization, or institution of higher education.

“(4) ENGLISH LEARNER.—The term ‘English learner’ has the meaning given the term in section 8101 of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 7801).

“(5) FOSTER CARE.—The term ‘foster care’ has the meaning given the term in section 1355.20(a) of title 45, Code of Federal Regulations (or any successor regulation).

“(6) HIGH-NEED LOCAL EDUCATIONAL AGENCY.—The term ‘high-need local educational agency’ means a local educational agency that serves at least one high-need school.

“(7) HIGH-NEED SCHOOL.—The term ‘high-need school’ has the meaning given the term in section 2211(b) of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 6631(b)).

“(8) HOMELESS CHILDREN AND YOUTHS.—The term ‘homeless children and youths’ has the meaning given the term in section 725 of the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act (42 U.S.C. 11434a).

“(9) SCHOOL-BASED MENTORING.—The term ‘school-based mentoring’ means a structured, managed, evidenced-based program conducted in partnership with teachers, administrators, school psychologists, school social workers or counselors, and other school staff, in which at-risk students are appropriately matched with screened and trained professional or volunteer mentors who provide guidance, support, and encouragement, involving meetings, group-based sessions, and educational and workforce-related activities on a regular basis to prepare at-risk students for success in high school, postsecondary education, and the workforce.

“(b) SCHOOL-BASED MENTORING COMPETITIVE GRANT PROGRAM.—

“(1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary shall award grants on a competitive basis to eligible entities to establish, expand, or support school-based mentoring programs that—

“(A) are designed to assist at-risk students in high-need schools in developing cognitive skills and promoting social-emotional learning to prepare them for success in high school, postsecondary education, and the workforce by linking them with mentors who—

- “(i) have received mentor training, including on trauma-informed practices, youth engagement, cultural competency, and social-emotional learning; and
- “(ii) have been screened using appropriate reference checks and criminal background checks, in accordance with the requirements of paragraph (3)(B)(v)(ii);

“(B) provide coaching and technical assistance to mentors in each such mentoring program;

“(C) seek to—

- “(i) improve the academic achievement of at-risk students;
- “(ii) reduce dropout rates and absenteeism and improve school engagement of at-risk students and their families;
- “(iii) reduce juvenile justice involvement of at-risk students;
- “(iv) foster positive relationships between at-risk students and their peers, teachers, other adults, and family members;
- “(v) develop the workforce readiness skills of at-risk students by exploring paths to employment, including encouraging students with disabilities to explore transition services; and
- “(vi) increase the participation of at-risk students in community service activities; and